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Messrs. Litchfield and Marinelli:

The purpose of this letter is to strongly support the FEC filing executed by the National Reform Party Steering Committee, by its Chairman, Ralph Copeland, on November 5, 1996.

It has come to our attention that there has been some opposition to this filing. It is our understanding that those persons who have positions within the opposing faction have only been appointed, not elected to those positions.

By way of contrast, we would like to point out that we will be holding special elections within our County on December 12, 1996, in order to reconfirm the democratic process within the context of the Reform Party organization.

This kind of grassroots, democratic activity is also reflected in a recent 'Preferential Survey' distributed to members of the Reform Party by the National Reform Party Advisory Board Committee, as they move to establish their National Advisory Board. This was an inclusive and open process, characteristic of all National Reform Party activity.

Please feel free to call us if you wish any further clarification.

P.S. Enclosed is a letter from the DeKalb County, Illinois UWSA/Reform Party Volunteers detailing some of our grassroots political activity.

Sincerely,



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